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Further to the Applicants' Response to Office Communication dated November 29, 2001, and as requested by the Examiner in a telephonic interview conducted between the Examiner and the Applicants' patent counsel on December 5, 2001, the Applicants hereby submit the instant Supplemental Amendment and Response and



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\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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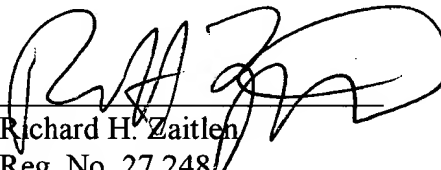
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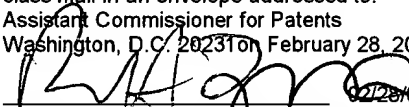
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